

**REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 18, 2012**

The Wethersfield Town Council held a meeting on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield.

Councilor Drake moved **“TO ADD THE ADDITION TO THE AGENDA OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR REVIEWING AND RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND SUBSEQUENT PROPOSALS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MANAGEMENT PER C.G.S. Section 1-206 and 1-210-b24”** seconded by Deputy Mayor Console. All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Present: Councilors Drake, Kotkin, Manousos, McAlister, Roberts, Deputy Mayor Console, and Chairperson Hemmann. Absent: Councilors Hurley, Montinieri

Also present: Jeff Bridges, Town Manager, RaeAnn Palmer, Assistant Town Manager and Dolores G. Sassano, Town Clerk.

Councilor Kotkin led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

GENERAL COMMENTS

Mike Aparo, 82 Schoolhouse Crossing, urged Council to schedule a study and find the funds to carry it out to fix the water problems of resident Frank Sorano.

Frank Sorano, 102 Jameswell Rd, surprised his water problems are not on the agenda and expressed concern that his neighbor also has problems in her house with black mold. He stated that the Health Department was going to look into it. The water table is too high and asks what has happened to cause it? He stated that no one has seen a town vehicle in the vicinity. As far as he is concerned there are two sources for the water: rain or MDC.

Carole Meyer, 25 Hartwell Rd, explained 25 – 30 years ago, they experienced water and it was traced by dye to an unused well situated on land higher than their home. There are no simple fixes. If the Sorano family abandons their home, the neighborhood would suffer. Ms. Meyers stated that their home was a little nest egg which they are counting on for a possible future move. She assumed tonight's meeting would address this problem.

Terry DiLorenzo, 70 Southwell Rd, said her heart bleeds for the Sorano family and asked what could be more important than helping this family.

Mike Cuddigan, 49 Westlook Rd, stated he looked up the minutes of August 2010 and was amazed that the Jameswell Rd issue was not being discussed tonight.

Joan Rapaport, 745 Silas Deane Highway, appealed to Council's sense of fairness concerning the right of way which, after blocking direct access of four homes to the Silas Deane Highway, requires its use by four additional homes. It is a steep incline, which requires them to bring trash and recycling down to the end; emergency services do not use the right of way; it is not labeled so people can find them or deliver packages; it is unnamed and extends from Byrd Rd. to Stillman Rd.. Eighteen to twenty vehicles use it daily and it requires repair. Attachment: 1

Pat Yagmin, 27 Jay St, asked if anyone had contacted the MDC or applied for grants to help her cousin, Frank Sorano, with the water issue. He has been here 28 years and stated it would be ridiculous if anything happened to the family.

Gus Colantonio, 16 Morrison Ave. spoke about the stop sign on Hillcrest and not on Morrison.

George Ruhe, 956 Cloverdale Circle, spoke about the culvert on his street and the pilasters are still not repaired as the one at Morrison and Wolcott Hill Road. With summer, more children will be in the neighborhood and it should be repaired.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Console stated he had the specs for a new fire engine and asked they be copied and sent to entire Council. He asked the Manager if he knew the cost of attending the Firemen's Conference in Massachusetts.

Councilor Manousos commented that Economic & Development committee met recently and that the newly reopened Farmer's Market in Wethersfield is listed in the top 5 statewide.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Console noted that someone should look at Nott Street and other streets where he has noticed a number of unkept homes, cars on lawns again. He asked the Manager to inquire of the local banks in Town, owning foreclosed homes to see if they can do anything to help the situation. He thanked him for providing information on the Hanmer School. Also, he noted the Wethersfield Police Department asked for laboratory equipment for evidence dusting and there was an article in the paper stating the state laboratories are backed up over 4 years. Mr. Console also mentioned he visited Atlas Tile on the Berlin Turnpike and they discussed Pent Road which is very much in need of repair. Manager Bridges stated the Town does not own it.

Councilor Drake appreciated the zeal Mr. Sorano expressed. It is on the list of things to do but no one in three years has come to CIP, capital improvement projects, with Jameswell Rd. It is not on the agenda, there is no simple way to fix it and there is a long list of drainage issues. The best you can do is to install a curtain/tile drain around the home. Unfortunately, there are projects that affect more residents than just the one in question.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Bridges had nothing beyond that which he has already presented.

COUNCIL ACTION

Deputy Mayor Console moved **“TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF GERALDINE MUNROE OF THE TOURISM COMMISSION**, seconded by Councilor Roberts.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Kotkin moved **“TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF JAMES F. GRISE OF THE WETHERSFIELD ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**, seconded by Councilor Roberts.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Deputy Mayor Console moved **“TO ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENTS OF THE VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS WITH VARIOUS END DATES”**, seconded by Councilor McAlister.

DTC APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

BUILDING APPEALS

Lorenzo Gaudet	R	36 Bell Pond Drive	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-17
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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Leslie C. Cole	R	69 Boulter Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
Stuart Temple	R	317 Brimfield Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14

CONSTABLES

George W. Cote	R	131 Charter Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
Steven A. McFarland	R	80 Farmingdale Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
Frederick H. Rackle	R	14 Pebble Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
Sebastian Dignoti	R	75 Westwood Drive	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14

DISABILITIES, WETHERSFIELD ADVISORY COMMITTEE W/DISABILITIES

Christine Taylor	TE	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
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FAIR RENT

Robert A. Garrey	R	10 Morrison Ave.	Land Lord reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
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FENCE VIEWERS

Peter E. Gardow	R	60 Griswold Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
Erik Litke	U	33 Farmstead Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14

FLOOD & EROSION

Mark Kulmacz	R	37 Old Pewter Lane	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
Stanley Gwara	R	594 Highland Street	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
Robert A. Garrey	R	10 Morrison Ave.	Alternate reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

John Maycock	R	13 Meggat Park	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-17
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HUMAN RIGHTS AND RELATIONS

Richard B. Troutman	R	70 Griswold Road	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
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INLAND WETLANDS

Louis Sanzaro	R	41 Robeth Lane	reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
Mark Kulmacz	R	37 Old Pewter Lane	Alternate reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15

LIBRARY BOARD

Mary Frazeur	R	217 Prospect Street	Appt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
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PARKS AND RECREATION

Jordan Dikegoros	R	16 Bay Roc Rd.	Appt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
Jeremy Donnelly	R	19 Village Lane #1304	Alternate Appt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15

PLANNING AND ZONING

Richard P. Roberts 15	R	15 Lantern Lane	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
George B. Oickle 15	R	224 Clearfield Road	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
Angelo Robert Fazzina	R	19 Fairmont Street	Transfer from Alternate Appt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
Leigh Standish	R	278 Hartford Ave.	Alternate, term ending 7-1-12 to 6-30-13

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Daniel Montano	R	435 Old Reservoir Rd.	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-15
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TRANSIT COMMISSION, GREATER HARTFORD

Peter E. Gardow	R	60 Griswold Rd.	Appt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-16
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YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Penny Stanziale 15	R	15 Harold St.	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Daniel M. Logan 17	R	35 Nott Street	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-
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Robert Cobb, Alternate 15	R	99 Meadow View Drive	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-
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Proposed by- Date of Action-	Deputy Mayor Console June 19, 2012
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All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Kotkin moved **“TO APPOINT VARIOUS TOWN RESIDENTS TO DIFFERENT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FOR A PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2012 WITH VARIOUS END DATES**, seconded by Gerri Roberts.

(DTC) APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

ASSESSMENT APPEALS, BOARD OF

Samuel A. Spratlin, Chr.	D	115 Broad Street	Reaapt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/18
Anthony Homicki, Alternate	D	201 Cumberland Ave.	Appt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

John J. Mullin	D	158 Windmill Hill	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
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CENTRAL CONNECTICUT HEALTH DISTRICT

Dianne L. Doot	D	420 Church Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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CONSTABLES

Albert J. Bonfiglio	D	33 Old Post Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
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Brian F. Zito	D	P.O. Box 290001	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
John O'Leary	U	P.O. Box 290002	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14

DISABILITIES, WETHERSFIELD ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH

Lisa Ann DiBella	D	100 Executive Sq. #425	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Theresa Urbanski	D	46 Marmour Court	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
James T. Hulbert	D	25 Mountain Laurel Drive	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Kathleen Sullivan	D	90 Clearfield Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Howard A. Geltman	D	74 Dale Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Laura Morris	D	389 Prospect Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Wayne Urbanski	D	46 Marmor Court	Appt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14

ETHICS, BOARD OF

John J. O'Leary	U	26 Garden Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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FAIR RENT COMMISSION

Jeanette E. Soroko*	D	37B Fairway Drive	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Cynthia L. Zuerblis***	D	119 Two Rod Hwy.	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Susan Grady*** (Alternate)	D	25 Westlook Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14

FENCE VIEWERS

Harry L. Lichtenbaum	D	16 Towne House Lane	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Doug Ovian, Alt.	D	56 Broad Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
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HUMAN RIGHTS AND RELATIONS COMMISSION

Gloria McLean	D	38 Midwell Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
Maryam W. Wardak	D	51 Ridge Crest Circle	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14
Shirley Steinmetz	D	375 Brimfield Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
Debra Hammer (Alternate)	D	65 Broad Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATER COURSES COMMISSION

David D. Ambrose	D	119 Farmingdale Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

George Kelly	D	369 Hartford Ave.	Appt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
Stephanie McKenna	D	66 Harding Street	Appt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15

PARKS & RECREATION

Richard Lepore	D	7 Jay Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
Thomas Mull (Alternate)	D	159 Surrey Drive	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14

PERSONNEL APPEALS BOARD

Brian F. Zito	D	P.O. Box 290001	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Daniel A. Camilliere, Vice	D	148 Ox Yoke Drive	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/17
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SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Barbara Higbee, President	D	126 Valley View Drive	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Jane Helen Ross (at large)	D	80 Saxon Road	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Wayne Urbanski	D	46 Marmor Court	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/14
Chris Skowronek, Clergy		P.O. Box 290267	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6/30/14
Mildred Courneyer, Alternate	D	337 Folly Brook Blvd.	Reappt. 7-1-12 to 6-30-14

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Mark A. Alpert	D	7 Morrison Avenue	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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SOLOMON WELLES HOUSE COMMITTEE

Marilyn D. McPhee	D	102 Hillcrest Avenue	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
Gretchen Kelly	D	369 Hartford Avenue	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
Harry Lichtenbaum	D	16 Towne House Lane	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15

TOURISM COMMISSION

Shireen Aforismo	D	185 Broad Street	Reappt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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TOURISM DISTRICT, CENTRAL REGIONAL

Katie Sullivan	D	9 Wright Road	Appt. 7/1/12 to 6/30/15
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All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Manousos moved **“TO APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT OF LEASE BETWEEN THE TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD AND MITCHELL ON THE PARK LLC”**, seconded by Councilor McAlister.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

BIDS

Councilor Drake moved **“TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO QSCEND TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND HOSTING OF THE TOWN’S WEBSITE AND THE HISTORIC WETHERSFIELD WEBSITE AND FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND HOSTING OF A CITIZEN REQUEST MANAGEMENT SYSTEM”**, seconded by Councilor Kotkin.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor Drake moved **“TO APPROVE BLUM SHAPIRO, 29 SOUTH MAIN ST., WEST HARTFORD CT AS THE TOWN’S INDEPENDENT AUDITOR FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AT THE PROPOSED FEE OF \$38,400”**, seconded by Councilor McAlister.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, APPOINTMENTS FOR INTRODUCTION

Deputy Mayor Console moved to **“APPROVED A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE AUTHORIZATION AND SUBMISSION OF A GRANT FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND YOUTH SERVICES AND THE AWARD OF FUNDS FROM THE GRANT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND YOUTH SERVICES”**, seconded by Councilor McAlister.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

MINUTES

Councilor Kotkin moved **“TO APPROVE AMENDED MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 4, 2012”** seconded by Councilor Drake. Councilor Roberts amended page 4 of the minutes to reflect language change and a grammatical error.

All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 5-0-2. Councilors Manousos and McAlister abstained.

Councilor McAlister at 8:35 p.m. moved **“TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION”**, seconded by Councilor Kotkin.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Councilor McAlister at 9:35 p.m. moved **“TO RE-ENTER RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION”**, seconded by Councilor Kotkin.

Councilor Kotkin moved **“TO APPOINT O&G INDUSTRIES AS THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER FOR THE WETHERSFIELD HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT**, seconded by Councilor McAlister.

All Councilors present voted AYE. The motion passed 6-0-1 with Deputy Mayor Console voting No.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:35 p.m., Councilor Kotkin moved **"TO ADJOURN THE MEETING"** seconded by Councilor McAlister. All Councilors present, including the Chairperson voted AYE. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Dolores G. Sassano
Town Clerk

APPROVED BY VOTE OF COUNCIL
JULY 2, 2012